

and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

Subpart 1819.72—NASA Mentor-Protégé Program

§ 1819.7201 Scope of subpart.

The NASA Mentor-Protégé Program is designed to incentivize NASA prime contractors to assist small disadvantaged business (SDB) concerns, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), minority institutions (MIs), and women-owned small business (WOSB) concerns, in enhancing their capabilities to perform NASA contracts and subcontracts, foster the establishment of long-term business relationships between these entities and NASA prime contractors, and increase the overall number of these entities that receive NASA contract and subcontract awards.

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1819.7202 Definitions.

High-Tech is defined in 1819.001.

1819.7203 Non-affiliation.

For purposes of the Small Business Act, a protégé firm may not be considered an affiliate of a mentor firm solely on the basis that the protégé firm is receiving developmental assistance referred to in 1819.7214 from such mentor firm under the Program. In addition, NASA shall not consider partial ownership, up to 10 percent, of a Department of Defense (DOD)-sanctioned protégé firm by its DOD mentor to constitute affiliation.

1819.7204 Transportability of features from the Department of Defense (DOD) Mentor-Protégé program to NASA contractors.

(a) In accordance with the benefits authorized by the DOD Mentor-Protégé Program (Public Law 101–510, Section 831, as amended by Public Law 102–190, Section 814), a NASA contractor who is also an approved DOD mentor can transfer credit features to their NASA contracts.

(b) NASA prime contractors, who are approved DOD mentors, can award subcontracts noncompetitively under their NASA contracts to the protégés which

they are assisting under the DOD Program (Public Law 101–510, Section 831(f)(2)).

(c) NASA prime contractors may count the costs of developmental assistance provided of protégés being assisted under the DOD Program toward meeting the goals in their subcontracting plans under their NASA prime contracts (Public Law 102–190, Section 814). Limitations which may reduce the value of this benefit include:

(1) Credit toward attaining subcontracting goals is available only to the extent that the developmental assistance costs have not been reimbursed to the contractor by DOD as direct or indirect costs; or

(2) The credit is available to meet the goals of a NASA subcontracting plan only to the extent that it has not been applied to a DOD subcontracting plan. The same unreimbursed developmental assistance costs cannot be counted toward meeting the subcontracting goals of more than one prime contract. These costs would accrue from credit for the multiples attributed to assistance provided by Small Business Development Centers, Historically Black Colleges and Universities and minority institutions.

(d) The features identified in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this section point out the portability of features from the DOD Mentor-Protégé Program to NASA prime contractors. NASA mentors will be held to show “good faith” by providing actual developmental assistance beyond transferring credit from activity in the DOD Program to NASA subcontracting plans.

1819.7205 General policy.

(a) Eligible large business prime contractors, not included on the “List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs”, who have at least one active subcontracting plan, and who are approved as mentor firms may enter into agreements with eligible entities (as defined in 1819.7209) as protégés to provide appropriate developmental assistance to enhance the capabilities of protégés to perform as subcontractors and suppliers. Eligible small business prime contractors, not included on the